



LCI PLACES TWO NEW AW109SPs WITH SLOANE HELICOPTERS FOR EMS OPERATIONS

11th March, 2021: LCI, the leading helicopter leasing, management and investment platform, has placed two AW109SP helicopters on long term operating leases to undertake EMS (emergency medical services) operations with its newest customer, Sloane Helicopters.

The two new Leonardo helicopters, which are the first of their type to enter LCI's fleet, were recently delivered to Sloane Helicopters' base at Sywell, Northamptonshire in the UK.

They will be flown by Sloane Helicopters on behalf of The Air Ambulance Service - the local air ambulance provider for Warwickshire, Northamptonshire, Derbyshire, Leicestershire and Rutland, and a new end user for LCI.

Crispin Maunder, Executive Chairman of LCI, says: "Sloane Helicopters is one of Europe's foremost helicopter companies, and we are delighted to be launching this new leasing partnership with them. We look forward to supporting their mission-critical operations."

Jeremy Awenat, Managing Director of Sloane Helicopters, says: "When it came to selecting a helicopter lessor for our work with the Air Ambulance Service, LCI's proven track record, and extensive technical knowledge in both EMS and helicopter operations in general, made them an obvious choice. We look forward to developing a longstanding partnership with them as we introduce these life-saving helicopters into service in the UK."

LCI's fleet is focused on the latest technology medium and super medium helicopters manufactured by leading helicopter OEMs including Leonardo, Airbus and Sikorsky. These are in operation across four continents in multiple sectors including emergency medical services, offshore wind, search and rescue, maritime pilot transfer and oil-and-gas transportation.

With a sound commercial strategy and highly experienced senior management team who have worked together for almost 10 years, LCI has consistently grown in scale and value since 2012. It has built strong relationships with many leading financial institutions and, in partnership with them, manages a current asset pool worth around \$1 billion.

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About LCI

Since its inception in 2004, LCI has acquired fixed wing and rotary aircraft with a value of around US\$6 billion. LCI is owned by Libra Group (www.libra.com), an international business group with 30 subsidiaries active in 35 countries across six continents. Libra Group's subsidiaries are focused on six core sectors: aviation, energy, hospitality, real estate, shipping, and diversified investments. www.lciaviation.com

About Sloane Helicopters

Founded over 49 years ago, Sloane Helicopters is the most accomplished on-shore helicopter company in Europe and remains within the same private ownership of its founder and Chairman, David George. Sloane has a distinguished reputation for providing helicopter support services from its bases at Northampton, Northolt, Penzance and Enniskillen. Sloane has been the sole UK and Ireland Distributor for Leonardo for over 26 years and an Authorised Service Centre. www.sloanehelicopters.com

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